

January 21, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Exploration of a South Carolina Competitive Procurement Program for the Competitive Procurement of Energy and Capacity from Solar and Other Renewable Energy Facilities by an Electrical Utility as Allowed by South Carolina Code Section 58-41-20(E)(2) (See Directive Issued on November 25, 2019)
Docket: 2019-365-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to the Notice of Generic Workshop, issued by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the “Commission”) on December 19, 2019, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“DEC”) and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP,” and together with DEC, the “Companies”) hereby notify the Commission of their intent to participate in the Generic Workshop on the Competitive Procurement of Renewable Energy, scheduled for January 27, 2020. George Brown, General Manager of Strategy, Policy, and Strategic Investment in the Duke Energy Distributed Energy Technology group, plans to make a presentation on behalf of DEC and DEP to address the following topics:

- Potential program goals for procurement of renewable energy; and
- Considerations for effective competitive procurement program design, such as market responsiveness and needs, eligibility requirements, generator interconnection impacts, and evaluation methodology.

Similar to the issues raised by the Companies in a letter to the Commission dated January 14, 2020, regarding the Generic Workshop in Docket Nos. 2019-224-E and 2019-225-E, the Companies have similar questions and concerns regarding the Generic Workshop in this docket, particularly with regard to the *ex parte* communication prohibitions of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-3-260.

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The Companies do not oppose the request from the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance, Inc. (filed on January 17, 2020) to delay the workshop in this docket until such questions and concerns have been resolved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rebecca Dulin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rebecca" being more prominent than the last name "Dulin".

Rebecca J. Dulin

cc: Parties of Record (via email)